authority.

Statement

TV transmitters presently under implementation/envisaged to be the set up in Orissa and Madhya Pradesh.

HPT: High Power Transmitter.

LPT: Low Power Transmitter

VLPT: Very Low Power Transmitter

PGF: Programme Generation Facility

1. Orissa	HPT—Baleshwar
	LPTs—Malkangiri
	Nowrangpur
	Padampur
	Deogarh
	Pallahara
	VLPT—Patnagarh
2. Madhya Pradesh	HPTs—Ambikapur
	Guna
	PGF—Raipur
	LPTs—Datia
	Jaora
	Alirajpur
	Sironj
	Gaderwara
	Kukadeshwar
	VLPT—Parasia

CBI Inquiry into Irregularities in Selection of Sponsored Serials

194. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: SHRI VITHALBHAI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that CBI has found certain Doordarshan officials and others having committed alleged irregularities in the selection of sponsored serials;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what action Government are taking against the guilty officials;

(c) whether Government propose to review its policy in the selection of sponsored serials;

(d) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(e) by when Government would clear the pending sponsored TV serials which are not involed in these irregualrities?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) and (b) The CBI has proposed to register P.E. against some officials of Doordarshan and conduct an open probe to ascertain whether the officials have committed any criminal misconduct.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) Doordarshan has been directed to priorities the serials in respect of which CBI has not reported any irregularities. The prioritisation will be done on the basis of programme requirement of Doordarshan.

Emphasis on Entertainment Programmes by Akashvani And Doordarshan in the Face of Satellite and Cable T.Vs. Invasion.

195. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to tilt the balance of favour of entertainment to help Akashvani and Doordarshan in the face of the invasion from Satellite beamed network and cable Television.;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) by when Government propose to implement the decision and make the radio and T.V. programmes more entertaining?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) to (c) While Akashvani has no proposal, at present, to increase its entertainment programmes, Doordarshan is restructuring its National programme with effect from 01.01.1993 to include suitable additional programmes for catering to viewers' interests.